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**Norfolk, Virginia** – Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced today that a federal grand jury in Norfolk, Virginia, returned a one-count indictment charging former Navy Seal, Gerald Rudolph Hackman, age 40, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, with receiving 38 pounds of stolen explosive materials.

This investigation was conducted by the Tidewater Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), which is made up of local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, and based in the Norfolk FBI Office. Special Agent in Charge of the Norfolk FBI field office, Michael Varnum, credited the JTTF for the rapid and thorough investigation, and the collaborative effort among the participating agencies, including the Virginia Beach P.D., the Naval Investigative Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Assistant United States Attorney Joseph E. DePadilla is prosecuting the case.

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